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Six GED recipients awarded Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarships

FRANKFORT, Ky. (August 29, 2006)— Six Kentucky GED recipients have been awarded Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarships to help pay for their college education. The scholarship is worth \$1,500 a year for four years of college.

They are Khadijah Amani of Lexington, Danielle Baker of London, Jenna Garrett of Louisville, Joshua Miller of Ashland, Dana Scott of Benton and Kayla Tarter of Shepherdsville.

The scholarships are administered by the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority. KHEAA also administers other student aid programs, including the Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarship (KEES).

The Byrd Scholarship is named for longtime Sen. Robert C. Byrd of West Virginia, who authored the legislation establishing the program in 1985. The program is federally funded.

The scholarship is also available to Kentucky high school graduating seniors. This year 91 seniors received Byrd Scholarships.

KHEAA and its sister agency, The Student Loan Peoplesm, administer scholarship, grant, loan, savings and work-study programs to help Kentuckians pay for college. They also provide free college planning and financial aid information to students, parents and counselors.

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